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PETITION FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ASK TO HEAR POOL COMMITTEE REPORT

Several petitions were started in circulation last week calling for a special town meeting to hear the report of the town Swimming Pool Committee.

240 names are needed on the petitions to bring about the special town meeting.

No report was available as to the number of names already on the petitions but it is estimated that at least half the necessary total have already been secured.

The recent report from the State Public Health Department indicated that all water tested from the various suggested sites was of such bacteriological quality as to permit public bathing, although several of the sites were marked as being threatened with "potential pollution." (The complete report is reprinted elsewhere in the PRESS).

The swimming pool committee, from all reports, is not in full accord within itself as to the best available site for the proposed swimming pool, but they are in agreement as to the need of a local swimming pool.

In addition to the petitions being circulated among local voters and taxpayers, petitions are being circulated among members of the several summer resident associations. These petitions although they will have no official bearing on the call for a special town meeting, give the summer residents an opportunity to air their opinions on the question of a local swimming pool.

The swimming pool committee, following a meeting with the Selectmen, is now considering and investigating a site proposed by the State health officials on Warwick Brook at the intersection of Warwick and School streets. The study of this site is being conducted in addition to the continuing investigation of the so-called Wright's Brook site at the lower end of Main St.

Health Board Report

Copy of letter from the Department of Public Health, State House Boston, Mass. Dated July 8, 1949. Mr. Ernest A. Parker, Chairman, Board of Selectmen, Northfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: The Department of Public Health in response to your request of May 5, 1949, for advice relative to the use of Wanamaker Brook, Wright's Brook, Warwick Brook and Jewett's Pond, as proposed sites for a public swimming pool in the town of Northfield, has caused an examination to be made by one of the engineers and samples of water from the proposed sites to be analyzed.

With regard to Wanamaker Brook the Department understands that subsequent to your communication and prior to the examination it was decided to eliminate this brook from consideration in view of the fact that the proposed bathing place would be on the property of the Northfield Seminary, hence there would be complications in the control of conditions at this site.

With regard to Wright's Brook, the proposed swimming pool would be located east of the State Highway 63 and about 1000 feet south of the junction of Routes 63 and 10. While the examination did not show any direct sources of pollution of this brook above the pool site, there are a considerable number of houses located near the brook and a small tributary of the brook which constitute potential sources of pollution.

Jewett's Pond, the third proposed site, is a small pond located in the southerly part of the town and about 100 yards east of Route 63. This pond is fed by a small brook which drains an uninhabited portion of the town.

Warwick Brook, also known as Mill Brook was considered an emergency source of water supply by this Department in 1948, but was not approved because of the fact that domestic waste appeared to be entering the brook either directly or indirectly. The proposed bathing place would be located near Birnam Road about one-eighth mile south of Warwick road.

A second site of Warwick brook, which was also examined, is located about one-quarter of a mile above and northeast of its confluence with Minot Brook. The examination shows that the watershed above this point is relatively unpopulated and free from pollution.

While the result of the bacteriological examination of samples collected at the above mentioned bathing places show that at the time of examination all these waters were of suitable bacteriological quality for public bathing, the Department is of the opinion that from a sanitary standpoint the most suitable site for a bathing place is the upper site on Warwick Brook and that the second preference would be Jewett's Pond. The Department cannot recommend the lower site on Warwick Brook or that on Wright's Brook.

The Department recommends that in connection with the development of a swimming pool at the site selected by the town, a bathhouse equipped with suitable drinking water and toilet facilities be provided.

For your information there is sent you under separate cover a copy of the report of the so-called Joint Committee on Bathing.

Should you care to discuss the matter further or obtain additional information relative thereto, you should consult with the Division of Sanitary Engineering of the Department of Public Health, Room 511A, State House, Boston.

Respectfully,
Vlado A. Getting,
Commissioner

Truck and Car in Main Street Collision

No injuries were reported as a result of the collision between a truck and a car late Friday afternoon at the corner of Main St. and Pine St., East Northfield. The car, a 1948 Hudson, driven by Frederick Fuhrmann, 59 Rosedale Avenue, White Plains, N. Y., struck the rear of a truck driven by Leon Randall, South Vernon. Both vehicles were proceeding north and following the collision, which resulted from falling brakes of the passenger car and a wet road, the vehicles were turned completely around, facing south.

Two passengers were riding in the Hudson. The passenger car was towed from the scene and was damaged heavily, about the front end. The truck suffered some damage to the frame.

NORTHFIELD NOW OUTPOST FOR THE BOOMING BORDER BOTTLE BATTLES

In a sweeping, flanking movement executed with military precision, the long arm of Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, reached into Northfield this week in a continuing effort to stop the purchase of liquor in New Hampshire state-controlled liquor stores for the purpose of evading higher Massachusetts taxes.

Instructions were received by

Chief of Police Ernest A. Parker and other law enforcement officers of the town to assist Long forces in bringing this "illegal" activity to a halt.

The nearest New Hampshire liquor store is in Keene, N.H., a forty-mile round trip from Northfield.

It was also announced that an agent of the Long office would be in town shortly to survey the battleground.

LOCAL COMMITTEE TO PLAN FOR TWO DAY SALVATION ARMY PROGRAM

Brigadier Clifford D. Brindley, of the Salvation Army, presided at a local committee meeting at "The Homestead" at which time plans were made for a two-day musical and evangelic program at the local town hall.

A Salvation Army band will feature the two day meeting and many distinguished speakers are listed on the program.

The program is set for Sept. 10 and 11, Saturday and Sunday. There will be a Saturday evening program, as well as an afternoon and evening program Sunday.

Details will be announced later as the local committee is able to work out the details.

Unto Hantunen is chairman of the local committee, while Mrs. Aina N. Hantunen is secretary. Other members are: Harold Briesmaster, Ted Powell, Rev. E. W. Blackstone, Gordon Buffum, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Daly, Mrs. A. F. Bennett, the Rev. Helen Bassett, Ernest A. Parker, Grove W. Deming, William F. Hoehn, Paul Thompson, Merritt Skilton, the Rev. Dr. George A. Bronson, the Rev. Lester White, and Lawrence Quinlan.

RED SOX UNRAVEL BLUE SOX, 10 - 6, NORTHFIELD LITTLE LEAGUE OPENER

Parading 7 runs across the plate in the first inning, the Red Sox defeated the Blue Sox 10 - 6 in the opening game of the Northfield "Little League" at the high school diamond last Saturday afternoon.

The game, which drew out of seven series, was played before an enthusiastic crowd that did not come up to the figure expected.

Once the boys, aged 8 to 12, were able to settle down they played a fast, steady brand of baseball, featured by good pitching and long-ball hitting.

Both teams, 18 men to a team, were uniformed and completely equipped with the tools of the trade. Both teams presented a colorful picture as they participated in game opening ceremonies at the Star Spangled Banner was played.

Summary:

	Red Sox	Blue Sox
Galda	ab r h po a e	
Parker, c	3 2 1 0 1 0	
Mankowsky, 1b	3 1 0 15 0 0	
Jordan, 1b	1 0 0 0 0 0	
Mello, p	4 1 1 0 0 0	
Avery, p	0 0 0 0 0 0	
Scott, cf	3 0 0 0 0 1	
Rogers, cf	0 0 0 0 0 1	
Don Hiller, 2b	3 0 0 2 1 1	
Clough, 2b	1 0 0 0 0 1	
Matosky, 3b	3 1 1 0 1 1	
Dave Hiller, 1f	3 1 0 0 0 0	
Williams, 1f	1 0 0 0 0 0	
Reines, 1f	0 0 0 0 0 0	
Smith, rf	3 2 1 0 0 0	
Griswold, rf	1 0 0 0 0 0	
Dresser, rf	0 0 0 0 0 0	
Totals	31 10 7 18 3 5	

	Blue Sox	Red Sox
Mann, rf	ab r h po a e	
True, x	1 0 0 0 0 0	
Fortier, c	1 0 0 4 0 0	
Mackey, 1f	4 1 2 0 0 0	
Casey, c, p	3 1 1 9 0 0	
Jack, 1b	4 0 0 3 1 0	
Holloway, c, 3b	3 1 2 1 1 0	
Benny, 2b	0 0 0 0 0 0	
Quinlan, 2b	0 0 0 0 0 0	
James, 2b	3 1 0 0 0 1	
Miller, 3b	0 0 0 0 0 3	
Repeas, 3b	2 0 0 0 0 1	
Olson, cf	0 0 0 0 0 1	
Pearshall, p, rf	3 1 3 1 0 0	
Martin, p, cf	2 0 0 0 0 0	
Totals	27 6 7 18 2 5	

Summary:

Score by Innings:	
Red Sox	123 466 7
Blue Sox	002 121 0-6

Two base hits - Mello, Matosky.

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Bond Drive Workers Get Treasury Thanks

Official thanks of the Treasury Department for Northfield's part in the recent successful Opportunity Drive has been given J. Austin Daly, chairman of the local U. S. Savings Bonds Committee, and through him to all the volunteers who participated. A letter just received from Edward M. Powell, Western Massachusetts Manager of the U. S. Savings Bonds Division expressed the Treasury's appreciation of the part this community played in bringing sales of Series E Bonds in Massachusetts to a final total of \$34,722,102. Despite the current recession in industrial employment, this was well over the State quota of \$31,540,000 for the Drive, and substantially above the amount of E Bonds sold during last year's Security Loan.

The Treasury's letter gave much credit also to the banks, industrial plants and post offices, where the actual bond sales were consummated and stressed the importance of increasing participation in payroll savings plans at industrial and business establishments and bond-a-month plans at commercial banks.

Similar letters of appreciation were received by chairmen of savings bonds committees and business bonds committees in other communities in this area, including: Laurie L. Harris, Jr., Bernard Star and Mrs. Harry C. Earle, of Warwick.

Moody, the Evangelist Active Correspondent

Gamaliel Bradford wrote of D. L. Moody, "He was no letter writer, and he was too busy to write letters, anyway."

This is only one of the host of mistaken notions about the great evangelist of Northfield. The very busy man wrote hundreds of letters, longhand, to relatives, co-workers, students, teachers, philanthropists, missionaries, and a wide variety of other "busy" people. In Chicago, alone, there are people who own about 200 of his letters.

During the winter of 1946-1948 Mrs. E. M. Powell collected, sorted, copied and compiled over a hundred letters, especially those of a personal nature. From the Nettie Fowler McCormack Biographical Association in Chicago, Ill., she received over sixty letters. Mr. Moody had written to either Cyrus or Nettie Fowler McCormack.

There are three reasons why Mrs. Powell is anxious to borrow and copy letters by D. L. Moody at this time. First, a record should be assembled of all firsthand material. Second, several articles are being prepared for publication in magazines next December which will mark the 50th anniversary of the death of the founder of the Northfield Schools. In the third place, the trend now is to find out what Moody actually said, himself, instead of acquiring knowledge of him, secondhand, through the fifty or more books that have been written about him.

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Any letters loaned to Mrs. Powell by Northfield and Mt. Hermon residents, and by guests at the August Conference will be copied and returned, gratefully, at once.

Report from France, Camiers Visited

Miss Erma V. Reynolds, a member of the faculty of the Northfield School for Girls has written from Camiers, France that she spent five days in the village.

Camiers is the small French town on the English Channel "adopted" by the PRESS and the townspeople last fall.

In her brief report from the town she found her stay "very satisfying."

It is expected that Miss Reynolds will have a lengthier report upon her return from France.

The Friendly Class To Attend Service

The Friendly Class will attend the service at the Auditorium on Monday, August 1, 8 p.m. to hear William R. Forrester.

After the service there will be a business and social meeting at the home of Helen Handy.

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FABULOUS TREASURE OF CAPT. KIDD REMAINS HIDDEN AS SEARCH FAILS

Pirate Lore and Hidden Treasures

Clarke's Island, (Commonly referred to as Captain Kidd's Island), off the upper end of Pine Meadow, Northfield, was granted to William Clarke in 1686, and confirmed to his heirs, Feb. 23, 1723. It then contained 103 1/4 acres. By the growth of trees and consequent accumulation of soil, it increased in size to sixteen acres. But since the wood was cleared off, the freshets have swept away the larger part of the island. The island has also been known as Field's Island and Stratton Island.

Like so many places — possible and impossible — this island was reputed to be one of the spots where Capt. Kidd the pirate buried a chest of gold.

(Capt. William Kidd a British navigator was born in Scotland in about the year 1650 and went early to sea. In January 1697 he reached Madagascar, the chief rendezvous of pirates, and soon word of Capt. Kidd's raiding activities reached England. In about 1699, he had the audacity to sail into the port of Boston, where he was arrested. He was then sent to England where he was tried for piracy and the murder of one of his men, and hanged.)

The legend is, that Kidd and his men ascended the Connecticut river — how they got over the three falls with their ponderous load is not stated — till they reached this secluded island. Here, having placed the heavy chest in its hole, they sacrificed by lot one of their number, and laid his body atop of the treasure, that his ghost might forever defend it from all fortune-seekers. Many a man longed for the gold, but had not the courage to disturb the ghost. But in an evil hour, Abner Field, after consulting a noted conjurer, and ascertaining the exact spot where the chest was buried, resolved "to tempt fate, and see if the treasure was there."

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Ghost Do Not Show Up As Search Fails

Early this week two local men, accompanied by a scientist, a naturalist and an architect, set forth to seek the fabulous hidden riches of Capt. Kidd, the details of which are described in the adjoining column.

The island has been built up by an accumulation of soil and the growth of trees until it is now nearly the same size as in the early days in Northfield.

According to information made available by the returned treasure seekers, who spent July 23 and 24 on the island, close attention was paid to all requirements necessary for a successful excavation of the chest of gold guarded by the patient henchman of Capt. Kidd.

Due to the lack of the original maps of the island it was necessary to consult with a conjurer as Abner Field had done nearly 100 years ago.

It seems young people are not getting into the profession of conjuring with any great ability — therefore it was difficult to find a reputable conjurer, particularly one who has had previous experience in treasure hunting. Finally the five men were able to find a conjurer of parts, retired these many years from his previous employment as a commuter on the Long Island railroad. The conjurer was not of too much assistance, according to the group, but after his beard was trimmed he managed to whisper the information that the chest is buried "where three clam tracks cross." Careful note of this was made in the expedition notebook.

Three freshly cut forked sticks, cut from an apple tree, were taken along, for divining purposes.

Finally, during the day of the expedition, the conjurer was called upon to give information. Then late in the afternoon the group, with a large amount of food and equipment, was ferried across the shallow channel to the island.

Preliminary searching of the island, according to a spokesman for the group, disclosed that much of the island was impassable, therefore the searching was confined to the accessible portions of the mysterious island.

Camp was set up and a simple two course supper was served. Previous weather reports had indicated that the night would be clear and that the moon would be reaching its fullest.

The night remained clear — the moon rose high, and with the aid of lanterns and lights a foot by foot search of the island began, and finally a spot was found, where "three clam tracks cross."

Finally it was determined that digging would begin on this spot, and the three members of the group were chosen by lot to join in the excavation. As soon as the last tones of the midnight bells had sounded down the valley, the first spade of earth was turned over — all without a word.

The digging continued, accompanied only by the heavy breathing of the laboring shovelers, and according to the group spokesman, water soon began seeping into the pit and nothing had been unearthed up to this time.

Several bobcats prowled on the outskirts of the camp, and the cry of the owl pierced the night. Finally the silent three hoisted themselves out of the deep hole, now slowly filling with water.

Thus the search was at an end — for this time at least.

The treasure of Capt. Kidd and the bones of his henchman — rest undisturbed somewhere in the sands of the island.

Doublons and crowns — coronets and crowns — pieces of eight and blood rubles — all rest under the bones of a lonely pirate and the secret still remains with Captain William Kidd, Navigator and Pirate, buried in England.

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"No Buts About It"

It is amazing how the simple question of a swimming pool can be twisted, warped, turned, knotted, clouded, until the real issue of getting a pool for the community is completely forgotten and set aside for a running exchange between a variety of participants.

Nothing stands in the way of Northfield having and maintaining a community swimming pool, recreation area and ice skating rink. Nothing except such obstacles as are placed in front of it. There are no real obstacles standing in the way of having a pool that cannot be easily and quickly removed.

Generally speaking it is apparent that most people want a pool, however, the word BUT clogs and blocks the way to achieving the realization of a pool.

The word BUT should be made illegal — cast out of the vocabulary and declared unlawful. "BUTS" never built a pool or gave the children of a community the chance to enjoy the things they should enjoy.

"BUTS" were unknown to the pioneers of Northfield in 1672 when they came up the valley to stake out this town. They hacked away at the wilderness — killed Indians, with bullets not "BUTS" — and were killed themselves.

It took three attempts to make the settlement of Northfield stick — yet they made it stick, not with "BUTS" or doubts! With courage and strength!

Captain Benjamin Wright once said, during the first settlement of Northfield, before 1700, that if he took a papoose, he would dash his brains out; for "Nits will be lice." He made a career out of fighting Indians, so that what is now Northfield would stand — a refuge, an outpost and a home for brave, enterprising men and women with courage, fortitude and vision, and not "BUTS" about it.

We spread and scatter monuments of all kinds in memory of men and women who set a precedent every time they threw up a house, a mill or a barn. Yet we ourselves seem to think that setting a precedent is a lost art, dead and buried with Indian fighters of another day.

In 1709, when Northfield colonists were asked to raise a force for an expedition to Canada, Captain Benjamin Wright wrote a letter to the Governor in Boston and said, "Here am I, send me!" No words of doubt — no "BUT." Just, "Here am I, send me!" Men of resolution and strong of purpose.

Yet that was another day — and "no buts about it."

Church Building Fund Bazaar August 5

It is time for those who are making aprons and fancy work for the Trinitarian Congregational Church Bazaar to get them finished and into the hands of the committee so they can be priced and ready for Friday, August 5th. These articles may be taken to Mrs. Livingston's home. Grabs for the children's table can be brought in later, also the baked goods, vegetables, fruits, berries and flowers.

The doll carriage and tricycle parade is scheduled for 3:30. Prizes will be awarded. Jeep rides will follow the parade. The Bazaar will open at three o'clock. Come early and enjoy the afternoon on the Daily lawn, Highland Avenue, East Northfield. In case of unpleasant weather, the Bazaar will be held in the church vestry.

THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

(Letters should be limited to 400 words or less. All letters must be signed by the writer — the name will not be used if you so desire.)

'We, the Undersigned'

July 27, 1949

Editor, Northfield Press

Northfield, Massachusetts

Dear Sir,

This is to inform the citizens of Northfield that the Swimming Pool Committee, as such, is not sponsoring or asking for the proposed special town meeting.

As we, the undersigned feel, we are not in a position to present a complete report as yet, we do not think it feasible to hold a special town meeting at this time.

However, we are still in favor of continuing the investigation of the swimming pool as we strongly believe that the town is in urgent need of one.

Very truly yours,

Dick Field
Charles Repeta
Fred Bolton
Ted Powell

New Schedule Set For Baseball Field

Plans were mapped for the use of the town baseball field at a meeting this week at the Center School.

The meeting called by the School Committee, and included local baseball team officials, went over the schedules of all local teams and allotted specific days to each team.

The "little league" teams of boys from 8 to 12 were allotted Tuesday afternoon, and Saturday night, while the Northfield A.A. was allotted Wednesday and Friday as well as every other Sunday. "The Farmers" and the "Ramblers" were allotted Monday and Thursday, and every other Sunday.

Certain adjustments in this plan will be made next week, and then the plan will prevail through the end of the season. Changes in the plan can be made after consultation and prior approval by School Committee officials. Supt. F. Sumner Turner will act as adjuster if changes in schedule are necessary.

Present at the meeting were: I. J. Lawrence, chairman of the school committee; Mrs. Glenn Billings, member of the school committee; Supt. F. Sumner Turner, Street A. Parker, Chairman of the Selectmen; Rollin Shearer, president of the Northfield A.A.; George Casey, representing the "Little League"; Kenneth Miller, representing the "Farmers," and George Marshall, co-owner of the "Ramblers."

Hugh D. Maydole, 72, of Red Bank, N. J., died at his summer home in the Highlands, East Northfield, Monday afternoon, July 25. He had spent most of his life in YMCA work in N. H. and New Jersey and was at one time State YMCA Secretary in New Hampshire.

Surviving is his wife, Laura. The funeral will be at the home in Red Bank, N.J., July 28. Dr. Cordie Cuet, pastor of Red Bank Church will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot.

Mrs. Maydole plans to return to Northfield for the summer.

Straw Hat Circuit

The Keene Summer Theater will present "Strange Bedfellows" by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clements, Monday, August 1, through Saturday, August 6. Evenings at 8:30 p.m. No matinees. Prices are \$1.50, \$1.00 and 60 cents, tax included.

WELCOME RIDGE DWELLERS and HIGHLANDERS

We're always glad when our summer residents come back to town. A hearty welcome to you all!

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Adult, non-fiction: Book of Still-

meadow, by Gladys Taber; Seven Storey mountain, by Merton; And one to grow on, by Gould; Jesse James was my neighbor, by Croy; Thirteen who fled, by Fischer; Our Alaskan winter, by the Helm-ericks; It's an Old State of Maine custom, by Mitchell.

For the juveniles: Fiction: A Sundae with Judy, by Cavanna; Start of the trail, by Rich; Paint-box summer, by Cavanna; Seabird, by Holling; Horae of destiny, by Downey. Non-fiction: Story of Our Calendar, by Brindze; Story behind modern books, by Montgomery; Mary Mapes Dodge, by Mason.

F. H. P.

Food Sale For Washington Trip Fund

The incoming Senior Class of Northfield High School is holding a food sale at the school for the benefit of the Washington Trip Fund on August 6, at 2 p.m., rain or shine.

Town Topics

Miss Lucy M. Eveleth, a former librarian at the Dickinson Memorial Library is spending a few weeks in town. She is assisting with the work of recataloging at the library and is staying at the home of Miss C. Ina Merriman.

Miss Anna S. Miller of Cobble-skil, N. Y. and St. Petersburg, Florida, with her friend, Miss Case of Jamaica, N. Y. were visitors at the home of Miss Ethel Lawrence last week end. Miss Miller was a former summer resident of this town for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schroeter of Plainfield, N.J. with their daughter Gall and her friends Miss Marlene Herrman were guests at the home of their cousin Miss Ethel Lawrence of Mountain Park last week.

Mrs. H. F. Morse has a telephone installed at her summer home on Woodruff Way in Pine Grove.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Heydenreich and family of Waterbury, Conn. are at their summer cottage in Pine Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Gredler of Ithaca, N.Y., and their sons Christopher and Stephen, have purchased a home in Lexington, Mass., to which they have recently moved. Charles has accepted a position in Harvard University in the Widener Memorial Library with especial reference to the cataloging of Russian literature. He will also begin work for his M.A. degree, having recently graduated from Cornell University.

Capt. George C. Whitney, son of Mrs. G. C. Whitney of East Northfield is very ill at a Munich, Germany hospital. Latest reports indicate that he is on the road to recovery and is receiving the best of care from U. S. Army doctors.

A local resident recently came upon a bobcat on the Winchester Road. The two did not have an opportunity to strike up an acquaint-ance.

Gilbert R. Gredler will finish his work for his M. A. degree at Boston University Graduate school this summer. Early in September he leaves for Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Miss., where he will head the psychology department and give several courses in Education as well.

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30—U. S. accepts first army plane from Wright brothers, 1909.
31—Battle of Flanders begins, 1917.

AUGUST
1—First U. S. Census, 1790.
2—Calvin Coolidge succeeded Harding as president, 1923.
3—Harvard beats Yale in first rowing race, 1852.
4—Germany invaded Belgium, 1914.
5—Cornerstone for Statue of Liberty laid, 1884.



NEW ARRIVALS

RANDALL — In Franklin County hospital, July 12, a daughter, Linda Arlene, to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Randall of Warwick avenue, Northfield.

HOLLOWAY — In Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, July 23, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Holloway of Northfield.

BARKER — In Franklin County Public Hospital, July 26, a daughter, Patricia Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Barker of Northfield; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Miller of Bernardston and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Barker of Blairtown, N.J.; great-granddaughter of Mrs. Gertrude Nelson of Bernardston.

Town Topics

Rev. Harry Meyer of Fall River and a summer resident of Mountaint Park with his family, last week attended the United Nations meetings at Lake Success, N.Y. Mr. Meyer has been attending the United Nations study conference at Mount Holyoke college recently.

Lawrence Quinlan had to destroy his horse "Smoky" last week. The horse, after suffering a slight wound, developed lockjaw and was growing steadily worse despite constant care and the application of drugs.

William R. Compton, a member of the faculty at Mount Hermon

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U. S. Travelers Surprised At Holland's Orderliness

Americans who have returned from a visit to The Netherlands this past year have spoken with admiration and amazement of the country's physical and social aspects, which were utterly contrary to the conditions they had expected.

What excited their astonishment above all were the orderliness, the neatness and normalcy of daily life, both in the cities and rural areas.

Coming from other war-ravaged European countries, as many of these travelers did, they found it hard to convince themselves that Holland had suffered more intensely from the war, that it had been the last country to be liberated, and that its postwar economic situation is beset with seemingly insuperable difficulties.

Strikes there have been and they still occur in Holland, but they have been sporadic and have not affected the greater majority of workers. Instead, there has been closer collaboration between management and labor than ever before in the history of the Dutch labor movement.

Operating A Band Saw

Wheels of a band saw and the blade (except at the point of operation) should be fully enclosed, not only to keep a person from coming into contact with the blade but also to prevent body injury in case the blade should break. The saw-blade guide should be so adjusted that there will be no unnecessary clearance between the guide and the work.

Oldest Roosevelt a Painter

Lambert Jakob van der Roostvelt, a pioneer of the Roosevelt family, was born in 1488 in Haarlem, Holland. He earned his living as a painter and was one of the earliest of the famous Haarlem painter school that later produced such famous names as Frans Hals, Wouwerman, Ruysdael, van der Helst and many others.

Oregon Still Leading in Timber

When pioneers came to the Oregon territory a century ago, it was covered with the greatest abundance of forests in the nation. This territorial centennial year finds Oregon with still about one-fourth of the merchantable timber in the

The research with vitamin B12 was carried on co-operatively by the department of nutrition and metabolism of Northwestern medical school, the nutrition clinic of the Hillman hospital, Birmingham, Ala., and the General Calixto Garcia hospital of Havana, Cuba. Associated with Dr. Spies in the research were Dr. Robert E. Stone and Dr. Tomas Aramburo at the Hillman hospital, and Drs. Guillermo G. Lopez, Fernando Milanes, and Ruben L. Tola of the Havana



New Selling System Aids Hog Producers

Price Agreed Upon Right in The Pen

Under a new system of selling hogs, buyers and sellers at the markets agree on the price right in the pen before the hogs are weighed. Thus the old weight-schedule is being replaced by a pen-to-pen system of marketing. The buyer is given a chance to recognize quality and pay a premium for good hogs.



The quality of this Chester White sow and litter is apparent even to the casual observer; but under the old weight-schedule of selling hogs, breeders who produce such quality stock would receive nothing extra for the added time and care they had expended to bring their hogs to such a degree of excellence.

The reason advanced for increased interest in marketing is that the weight-schedule system fails to recognize the difference between hogs. It also fails to pay for true quality.

Under the old schedule-selling, salesmen and buyers at a market would agree in the morning how many hogs each buyer would get. A schedule of process was set up according to weight. "Hogs was hogs" and the scales determined the price.

But that system is gradually being abandoned. Under the old method, farmers judged probable market prices by estimating the weight of their hogs. A premium of 50 cents per hundredweight was considered unusual at the market although the real value of hogs of the same weight varies as much as \$5 or \$6 per animal. Such premiums offered poor pay to the expert producer who raises top-quality hogs worth more money.

Another reason for the new system is the fear that if a better job of selling isn't done, hogs may be sold on a dressed-carcase basis. This method of marketing (which is used in Canada) is being explored by many farmers, co-operatives, agricultural experiment stations and studies under the federal research and marketing act. Many public market operators also are worried about the decline in volume of hogs arriving for sale at terminal markets.

Wheat Champions



Victor P. Rasmussen (left) and Max J. Rasmussen, of Cache county Utah, did not know they would be national wheat champions when this photo was taken on their 4,000 acre farm, between Cache Junction and Clarkston, Utah.

The wheat, which Victor Rasmussen is holding, is a sample of the crop from the 2,000 acres of wheat land, which is owned jointly by these two men and their brother Reuben, who was too busy farming that day to get in the picture.

The Rasmussens' wheat, which was hard red winter of the Cache variety with a test weight of 64 pounds per bushel, took first place in the 8th annual Philip W. Pillsbury judging for best United States wheat raised in 1948. The grain competed with 37 samples from 20 other states when the judging was held in Minneapolis.

The Rasmussens rotate their wheat crop on 4,000 acres of unirrigated land. They are the sons of Philip H. Rasmussen, who won the state and national Pillsbury award in 1946.

Soil Check May Answer Slow Tile Drain Puzzle

If tile-drained land is slow in drying, check the organic matter content of your soils before blaming the tile system. Many tile lines that worked well when originally laid are now hampered because the water can't get through the soil to the tile. You open your soil and improve drainage when you grow well-fertilized deep-rooted legumes in the rotation and put back straw, cornstalks and manure.

Committees Named For Flower Show

Committees for Flower Show of the Northfield Garden Club at the Chateau, August 23 and 24, 1949:

Schedule and Arrangements: Mrs. George W. Carr, chairman, Mrs. R. Johnson, Mrs. R. Stone, C. M. Hesolton, I. J. Lawrence, Mrs. G. W. Deming, Mrs. M. E. Vorce, Mrs. N. G. Nims.

Publicity: G. W. Deming, chairman, R. Bigelow, L. M. Potts, U. Hantunen.

Staging and Clearance: I. J. Lawrence, Chairman, all members.

Hospitality Committee: all members.

Plant Sale Table: Mrs. R. A. Barrows, Chairman, Mrs. L. H. Lazelle, Miss L. Roe, Mrs. C. A. Neal, Mrs. C. George.

Entry and Registration: Mrs. H. F. Bigelow, Chairman; Miss E. Braley, Mrs. J. Langus, Mrs. M. Aldrich, Mrs. W. B. Dunklee, P. Porter, Mrs. P. Porter, Mrs. D. F. Sutherland, Miss Mabel Shields, Miss Margaret Shields, Miss T. Simar, I. J. Lawrence.

Music: Miss Daisy Holton, chairman, Mr. E. H. Lord.

Admissions: G. W. Deming, chairman, Miss M. Hamilton, Miss A. Hamilton, L. M. Potts.

Library Table: Miss S. Servaes, Chairman, Miss A. Drake, Miss Erb, Mrs. I. Hodgen, Miss L. Jackson.



Church CALENDAR

TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister. Sunday, July 31st:

11:00 a.m. Worshipping with the

General Conference at the Auditorium on the campus of the Northfield School for Girls. Dean Willard L. Sperry of the Harvard Divinity School will preach. A service for children in Sage Chapel conducted by Mr. Reeves.

The Annual Bazaar for the New Church Building Fund will be held on the Daily Lawn on Friday, August 5th, at three o'clock. In case of rain the Bazaar will be held in the church vestry.

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Services discontinued for July and August.

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Rev. Henry J. McCormick, Pastor
Masses: First Sunday of Month 8:30 a.m. All other Sundays, 10:30 a.m.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Helen D. Bassett, Pastor
Sunday, July 24,
10:30 a.m., Service and Sermon.
11:40 a.m., Sunday School.
7:00 p.m., Prayer and Praise.
Wednesday, July 27,
Mid-week prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Florence Jones.

Town Topics

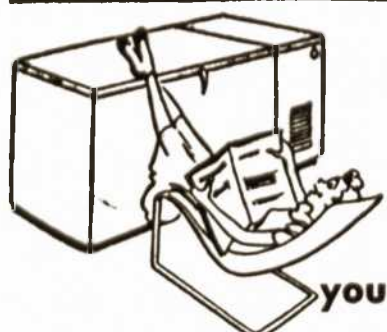
Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler of Croton Falls, N.Y., formerly minister of the Unitarian Church, preached in Warwick July 24th, as guest preacher. The night before, she was the guest of Mrs. Charles H. Webster and her daughter, Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed of Northfield.

is to be married on August 6 to Mary Kilburn Lighthall of Norton Heights, Conn.

David E. Gredler will enter Northeastern University in Boston this

fall to complete his collegiate work. David has had his three previous years at Wesleyan University in Middletown. Last year he did social service work in Boston

and this summer he is with The New England Home for Little Wanderers, as assistant counselor at their Langview Farm, Walpole, Massachusetts.

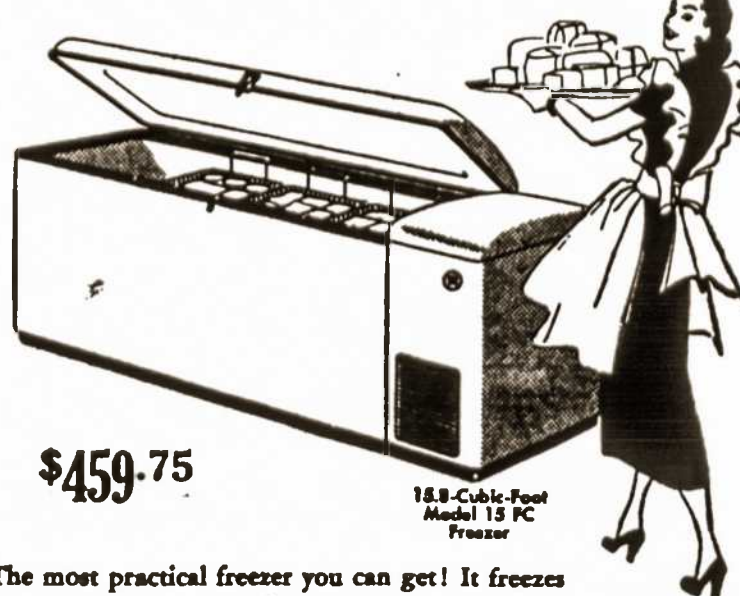


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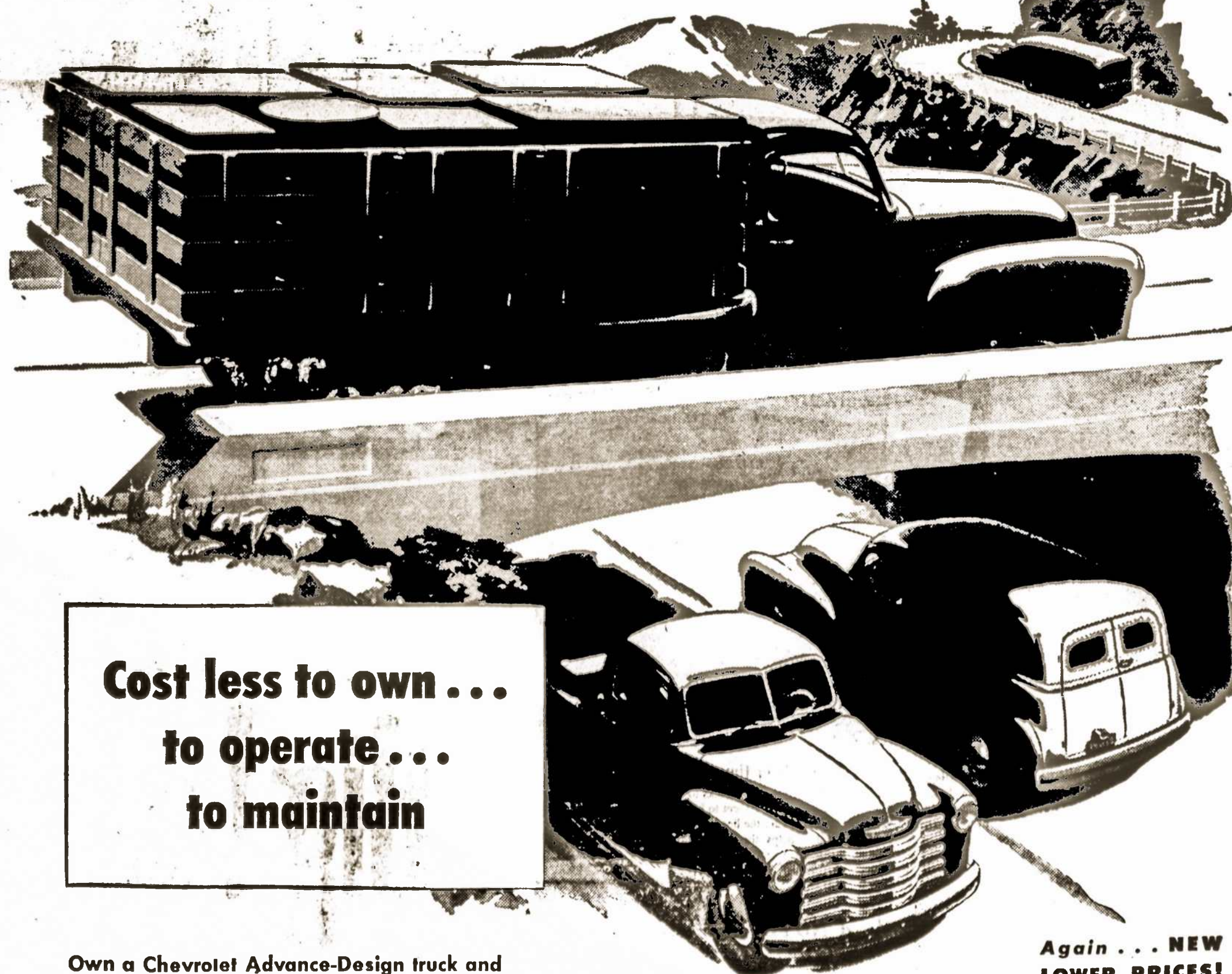
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People, parcels of clothing and books, and money poured into the "Green Pastures" for the benefit of the Student's Aid Society of the Northfield School for Girls. Among the crowd at the Lawn Concert and Sale on the evening of July 21 were residents of Northfield and neighboring towns, guests of the Valley Vista and The Northfield, and employees of the summer conferences.

Results of benefit: \$250 to the Student's Aid; remaining books were given to the Louise Andrews Camp and the town library; remaining clothing will be sent to India and Greece.

On the upper lawn of Green Pastures was exhibited a trap, jumping car and phonograph, belonging to D. L. Moody; Willis and Ernest Parker's antique high bicycles. On the lower north lawn was a tremendous, horse-drawn fire fighting equipment belonging to the Northfield Seminary for the past fifty years.

Among the curios were: ostrich cape from So. Africa, a Russian altar rug from which Communists had picked the crosses, a handmade rug made in Charlestown, depicting "The Homestead" (Mrs. W. R. Moody); Japanese parasol (Wm. Hoehn); an inlaid table made by Leah Moody, showing the auditorium (Mrs. David Hammond); a twelve foot Chinese embroidered panel, a robe with five hundred different butterflies embroidered on it, which once belonged to a lady in waiting to the Empress Dowager of China and figurines (F. A. Daly); a handmade flag, stars and stripes; a sign "Always Be Careful," which stood outside the shed that housed the atomic bomb on Tinian, and carved woodwork from Saipan (Virginia Powell).

Paintings were exhibited by Mildred Nims, Mrs. Gustave Wolf, Mary Mosse, Frances Scanlon, Isabel Smith. This was the first occasion when some of the beautiful winter scenes painted by William Rineer of the Mt. Hermon faculty have been shown in East Northfield.

Youth Argosy Flight Safely in India

The pioneering band of round the world Argonauts led by Monroe and Isabel Smith are now in India, according to last available information.

The Youth Argosy sponsored flight group spent four full days in Tokyo, Japan and were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin. Mrs. Durgin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazzelle of this town.

Town Topics

Prof. Francis L. Jones, Mrs. Catherine J. Johnston, and Miss Lucille D. Johnston spent the week end at their cottage on Rustic Ridge.

WCTU Marks 25 Years with Lawn Party

The Frances Willard lawn party, sponsored by the WCTU on the lawn of the House of Colton in commemoration of the founding of the national organization 75 years ago. Pioneer methods of the founding group were represented by members of the local Union.

Dressed in period costumes were: Mrs. N. Fay Smith, as Frances Willard's mother; Mrs. Janet Barrows, as Frances Willard; Mrs. E. M. Morgan, as Lady Somerset; Mrs. Martin Vorce, as Mrs. Ella Hook, first National president and International President until last year; Mrs. Lawrence Lazzelle, as Mrs. Mary A. Ingham, first National treasurer; Mrs. D. B. Tomkins, as Mrs. Esther Lord MacNeill; Mrs. Grace C. Cornell, as Rev. Anna Shaw; Mrs. Genevieve Eastman as a Puritan; Mrs. Louise LaBelle, as Mrs. Ann Gordon; Mrs. George McMillan, as Mrs. Lillian Stevens; Mrs. C. T. Sherman, as Carrie Nation; Mrs. Lillian Forsyth, as Susan B. Anthony.

The sudden thunder storm that broke over the town made it impossible to take pictures of the party.

Serving punch were Mrs. Ger-

trude Morgan and Mrs. Genevieve Eastman.

The lawn was decorated with posters and a table of literature was available. Also on exhibition was the charter of the organization issued July 20, 1870. There were 50 members at the time of the organization. This year marks the local group's 25th anniversary. In addition, the National Gold Seal was on display complimenting the group for participating in a fund raising campaign in 1937 to finance the National Temperance Educational program.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 5 — Bazaar on the Day lawn. 3 p.m. For the Congregational Church Building Fund.

AUGUST 6 — High School Food Sale. 2 p.m. High School lawn.

AUGUST 13 — American Legion Auxiliary food sale. McEwan lawn. 3 p.m.

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